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A Message From The President

Dorothy C. Baber, CSNA 1577

It has been a busy time, numismatically, for C.S.N.A. members . . .

In March, the 21st CSNA Educational Symposium saw a large and attentive audience for the four speakers garnered by Symposium Chairman, Tom Fitzgerald. As in the past, San Diego County arrived in full force with a bus full of eager-to-learn collectors.

Also in March, at the American Numismatic Association Midwinter Convention in Colorado Springs, that board voted to hold their 1990 Midwinter Convention in San Diego. This pleased the San Diegan's who were in attendance, of course. The board has opted to go to 'warm' cities for their March show and will alternate between San Diego and Orlando, Florida. Convention Director, Ruthann Brettell, made a visit to San Diego in late March and contracted for the show to be held at the Town and Country on March 2, 3, and 4, 1990. And your President was recommended by the San Diego County Inter Club Numismatic Council to act as General Chairman.

Further, Southern Californians are gearing up for their first joint numismatic show, with CSNA, COIN, NASC and SIN holding the Golden State Coin Show on January 26, 27, and 28, 1990, at the Pasadena Center, Pasadena, California. The Center is adjacent to the Holiday Inn, as well as a large shopping mall. There will be no admission charge and there is ample free parking.

The two members from each organization who have been meeting regularly to promote this show are Tom Fitzgerald, General Chairman; and Dorothy Baber from CSNA; Phil Iversen and Beate Rauch represent SIN; Phil Parks and Kay Lenker from COIN, and Charles Colver and Harold Katzman from NASC. Bourse Chairman Kay Lenker distributed Bourse applications at the May CSNA in San Mateo and found dealers quite enthusiastic. Organizations planning on holding meetings at this joint show should contact Phil Iversen, Event Coordinator, to work out meeting times. There are still a lot of details to be attended to, and the committee continues to meet frequently to organize a show that we can all be proud of, and hope may be an annual event.

Another exciting item for Californians is that our newly installed CSNA Treasurer, Kay Edgerton Lenker, has chosen to run for a seat on the Board of Governors, for the American Numismatic Association. It is way past time that the West Coast had some representation, so we hope you all will get behind her and do some campaigning on her behalf.

The convention just concluded in San Mateo had somewhat disappointing attendance even though there had been extensive advertising. It certainly was not the fault of the committee — The Medal, depicting Engine 2472, sold out in Silver before the end of the day on Friday, and the Golden Bronze were gone by noon on Sunday.

It was a pleasure to see such a large crowd at the Awards Banquet on Saturday Night, and to accept the Office of President of the Association for another term.

At the banquet, Krause Publications Representative Charles Colver, added yet another Californian to the roster of numismatic ambassadors when he pinned David Cieniewicz. There were fourteen other ambassadors to welcome Dave into their ranks.

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Editorially

VIRGINIA M. HALL
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SERENDIPITY, what does it mean? Webster says "the faculty of making desirable, but unsought-for discoveries by accident."

This facet of collecting can be utilized whether you are traveling abroad or in your own neighborhood. It is seldom that a soldier, assigned to overseas duty, has the time to pursue his hobby. An interesting story has come to my attention and I would like to pass it on to you . . . it is documented that a Sgt. Randy Olson did just that while in Viet Nam.

Sgt. Olson was climbing a hill—not under enemy fire, or he might have missed the U.S. cent lying in his path. It has been said that bending over to pick up a cent is no longer profitable for it now costs more than that to have one's trousers sewn together if they should split open. But a U.S. cent in Viet Nam was quite unusual, for their circulation was forbidden during that time of strife. Thus it was that the good sergeant picked up the copper piece and discovered it to be a 1925-D that graded in VF condition—worth maybe a dollar Stateside, but worthless in Southeast Asia. But the marine remembered needing it for his folder back home.

I have been collecting Serendipity for several years and here is what I have:

Lincoln Cents	- 35	1980's
	- 13	1970's
	- 6	1960's
Jefferson Nickel	- 1	1984-D
Roosevelt Dime	- 1	1984-D
Canadian Nickel	- 1	1985

The reason I have so many Lincoln Cents is due to the reluctance of the general public to stoop over and pick them up. To me they are still legal tender, but to be honest, I have a sentimental reason for collecting them. I can't leave my favorite President laying there on the ground to be stepped on, rained on, or run over by a big truck.

This may be stretching a point as far as collecting coins, but it is interesting. Why not try it and extend your numismatic adventures yet another mile.

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Through the Numismatic Glass

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER COMMEMORATED
Part 2

What changes 1973 was to bring! With a mailing list approaching 3 million, the Mint became more and more aware of the market for both proof and uncirculated sets, better known as "mint" sets. The 1973 cupro-nickel dollars were produced at both the Denver and Philadelphia Mints—but only for the Uncirculated (mint) Sets. For the first time, the Eisenhower dollar was to be included in both "mint" and proof sets. The 13 piece mint set, containing six coins from the Denver and Philadelphia Mints plus a one cent coin from the San Francisco Assay Office was priced at six dollars. This year of 1973 also saw a new coin added to the Eisenhower collection; the "proof" version of the cupro-nickel dollar. This coin was added to the proof set with a new cost of seven dollars. The price of the 1972 proof sets (without any dollar coin) was five dollars thus the inclusion of the one dollar coin cost the proof set purchaser an additional two dollars. The San Francisco Mint continued to produce the 40% silver proof (cost $10) and uncirculated (cost $3) specimens. The result was a genuine Eisenhower rarity, the 1973-S silver proof dollar, which did not attract many customers because of the inclusion of the less-expensive San Francisco cupro-nickel coin in the proof sets. A trend price of $65 per coin is not uncommon for the piece today.

The Mint records for the 1973 dollars are as follows:

Cupro-Nickel Coins -
Philadelphia Mint - *2,000,056
Denver Mint - $2,000,000
*1,769,258 included in "Mint" sets. The remainder of the coins were destroyed.
San Fran. Proof - 2,760,339
40% Silver Specimens
San Fran. Unc. - 1,883,140
San Fran. Proof - 1,013,646

As the profits continued, so did the outcry from the mint's customers. Not only did the 40% silver coins cost more than seemed to be justified, but now you had to buy a mint or proof set in order to get the 1973 cupro-nickel dated dollar with the "S" mintmark at a cost of $6 or $7 dollars per set. These would not be available through the banks or found in circulation. And if one wanted to collect every mint and date variety of the Ike dollars, the cost rose significantly in 1973. In 1974, legislation was passed authorizing the Secretary of Treasury to transfer funds to the Eisenhower College in Seneca Fall, New York from the profits of the sale of the silver proof dollars. Behind this legislation was Representative Wright Patman (Dem-Texas), the chairman of the House Banking Committee. Mr. Patman had been a force in the original efforts to produce the Eisenhower dollar,. Cupro-nickel dollars were produced for general circulation again in 1974 as well as those to be included in proof and mint sets. The mint records for the 1974 production are as follows:

Cupro-nickel varieties
Philadelphia Mint - 27,366,000
Denver Mint - 45,517,000
San Fran. proof - 2,612,568
40% Silver specimens
San Fran. Unc. - 1,900,000
San Fran. Proof - 1,306,579

THE BICENTENNIAL DOLLAR

As the United States approached the 1976 Bicentennial Celebration, the Treasury Department had announced a nation-wide contest in 1973 to redesign the reverses of the quarter, half dollar and the dollar coins. Almost 1,000 entries were received with the field narrowed down to twelve semifinalists. The judges chose the design of twenty-one year old Dennis R. Williams for the reverse of the Ike dollar. Williams decided to enter his drawing completed as an assignment at the Columbus, Ohio, College of Art and Design. He considered the liberty bell as the "perfect symbol" of the liberty of the United States and the Moon as an emblem of "how far we had come in 200 years." The Apollo 11 reverse design was temporarily replaced by William's classic liberty bell eclipsing the moon. The young artist had no experience with designing and preparing dies to strike our nation's coins. Williams utilized a broad-block style of lettering, flat and hard, which made production difficult because of the metal flows. Mint Director Brooks again ordered modifications to conform more fully with US coinage production requirements. However, the minting of dollars of the bicentenpial design had already begun. The result was that two types — type I based upon the original work of Dennis Williams and type 2, the rendering after modification ordered by Mrs. Brooks, now became part of the Eisenhower series. In fact, to build a complete collection of all Eisenhower dollar varieties, collectors were required to obtain no less than eight bicentennial coins.

Shown at the left is the galvano for the first variety of the "IKE" dollar.

Mint Director, Mary Brooks, and designer Dennis Williams examine first strikes.

The original plan was to strike the bicentennial coins for two years, 1975 and 1976. The observe remained the same as designed by Gasparro with the inclusion of the duel date, 1776-1976. The mint records for the production of 1976 (there are no Eisenhower dollars dated 1975) bicentennial dollars are as follows:

Cupro-nickel coinage
Philadelphia Mint - Type 1 - 4,019,000
Philadelphia Mint - Type 2 - 113,318,000
Denver Mint - Type 1 - 21,048,710
Denver Mint - Type 2 - 82,179,564
San Fran. Proof - Type 1 - 2,845,450
San Fran. Proof - Type 2 - 4,149,730
40% Silver Specimens
San Fran. Unc. - Type 1 - * 11,000,000
San Fran. Proof - Type 1 - * 4,000,000
* Approximate coinage.

Obverse with dual-date.

Type 1 Reverse with low relief, bold lettering.

Type 2 Reverse with sharp detail, delicate lettering.

Although there had been some discussion of retaining the Bicentennial on the Ike dollars, the original reverse was restored on the 1977 and 1978 dated coins. The special 40% silver uncirculated and proof specimen coins produced by the San Francisco Assay Office were discontinued. The collecting public continued to object to the seemingly high price demanded by the government and the idea of profits going to the Eisenhower college in New York didn't appear to quiet the storm. The mint records for the production of the 1977 coins are as follows:

Cupro-nickel varieties
Philadelphia Mint - 12,596,000
Denver Mint - 32,983,006
San Fran. Proof - 3,251,152

The mint records for the 1978 dated coins are as follows:

Cupro-nickel varieties
Philadelphia Mint - 25,702,000
Denver Mint - 33,012,890
San Fran. Proof - 3,127,781

THE END OF THE SERIES

But all was not well with the Eisenhower dollars. The Ike dollars were produced not only to satisfy the needs of vending machine users and the gambling houses of Nevada but also as a general circulating coin for the use by the public in everyday transactions. Yet people seemed to shun the Ikes preferring the paper dollar. The total production of the 1973 dated cupro-nickel dollars was utilized for mint and proof sets. Following the bicentennial issues, the 1977 and 1978 coins ere not seen in general circulation.

As early as 1975 the Mint and Treasury Department questioned the future of the Eisenhower dollar. The production of the clad coins drained the resources of the mints, particularly the Philadelphia and Denver facilities. A private researeh firm, the Triangle Institute, was employed for the purposes of examining all choices for United State's coinage to the year 1990 and beyond. When the dollar coin was studied by the Treasury-Federal Reserve Task Force, it was concluded that basically the coin was just too large. Most Americans complained that the Ike dollar was too bulky for their poekets and or purses. At 38.1 millimeters (an inch and a half) in diameter and at 22.68 grams in weight, the dollar was believed to be too heavy by about two-thirds and oversized by more than 40%. The consulting firm recommended a dollar coin of about 26.5 millimeters in diameter and one weighing about 8 grams be minted to replaee the Eisenhower dollar. So the mint struck Susan B. Anthony dollars beginning in 1979. But that's another story!

The Eisenhower dollar remains, however, as among the most widely collected of all modern United State's coins. It is a favorite with many hobbyists of modest means who appreciate the compaet size of the series and its relatively unsubstantial cost. The Ike dollar was minted for just eight years beginning in 1971. There are no 1975 dated coins but in this short span of time, no less than 32 dates, mint marks, metals or varieties were minted of which only fourteen were intended for general circulation. The remainder of the mintage (cupro-niekel proof, silver or silver proof) was coined only for collectors.

The Eisenhower dollar series included a number of numismatic firsts:

1. The first coin to commemorate the lunar landing on a circulating piece.
2. At the time, the Ike dollar was the shortest coinage run of the 20th century.
3. Eisenhower was the first 20th century Republican President to be commemorated on a coin.
4. The first dollar coin to have three distinct reverses. (Original design, two Bicentennial type designs).
5. The first United States coin to show a globe (of the planet earth) in full view.

What about the new Eisenhower coin? We know the design requirements. Will it be popular with the collecting public? We'll have to wait until 1990 to know some of these answers.

GEORGIA GOLD — LOT 466

By JOAN BROWN
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INTRODUCTION

Everyone knows the gold on the eapital dome in Atlanta, Georgia eame from Dahlonega, but how many natives and present residents of Cherokee County realize that some of the riehest gold deposits in Georgia eame from the eastern section of Cherokee County?

The history of the Franklin Gold Mines have long been of interest to me, and has presented a ecrtain amount of mystery to my whole family. Since I lived more than 11 years on a portion of the remains of the mining territory, I felt a duty to do some researeh on its history.

THE FIRST MINERS

I would like to impress the faet that thc Cherokee Indians, who onee lived along the Etowah River for thirty miles, had known of the gold and had even minecd a small portion beforc they were removed from Georgia to Oklahoma in the era "The Trail of Tears."[1] Certainly they should be given due eredit as being the first gold miners of North Georgia.

After the Cherokees left, their land was divided into Land Lotteries and Gold Lotteries under the Land Lottery System whieh gave every citizen of the state a ehanee to draw, and some werc given two chances to draw.[2] The land was divided into lots of one-hundred and sixty aeres, and the gold region was divided into forty aere lots. The former five northern eounties were made into one eounty to be ealled Cherokee in memory of the Indians.

There have been other mines throughout the county, but the Franklin (later ealled Creighton) Gold Mines were the richest, yet least developed of all mines. The history of these mines present a very interesting and unusual story.

THE LUCKY DRAW

In thc Gold Lottery of 1832, a poor widow from South Georgia, Mrs. Mary G. Franklin, in the third distriet[3] drew a forty aere gold lot with thc number of 466. The grant was issued to her on December 15, 1833. Within a week, shc received more than a dozcn offers for her property. Being human, she became suspieious and decided to find out why there were so many offers. She mounted her little gray mule and made the trip alone from Clarke County to Cherokee County.

When she arrived, she found over twenty men busily shoveling dirt and panning gold. They paid no attention whatever to her inquiries and threats. She came upon a trustworthy man in the county, Dr. Bedney Franklin who had been a close friend of her late husband, and hired him to drive out the intruders. Having diseovered how valuable her property was, she decided to move to Cherokee County. Leaving the man in charge of her property, Mrs. Franklin returned to South Georgia for her family. Soon the whole family was panning gold. (The Franklin Mines were loeated in northeastern Cherokee County, near Forsyth County line, just below the eonfluenee of the Etowah River and the Settendown Creek.

Widow Franklin built a rude stamp mill, using the waters from the Etowah River whieh flowed through her lot. The old Alabama Road West went through Lot 466 so it was easily aeeessible by horse or carriage. She proved to be a good business woman and the mill beeame so produetive that she bought the adjoining lots, built a large house, bought her own slaves and educated her ehildren. Several thousand dollars worth of gold was taken out during her direetion of the operation.

The first private gold coinage under the Constitution ($2.50, $5.00 and $10.00) was struck by Templeton Reid, a jeweler and gunsmith, in Milledegeville, Georgia in July, 1830. Shown here is the obverse and reverse of the $10.00 piece.

Another drawer in the Gold Lottery was Mrs. Franklin's son-in-law, Charles J. McDonald, who was to become governor of Georgia from 1839-1843. He took a fortune in gold from his own lot.

There were two veins, parallel to each other, approximately 150 feet apart. One was the Franklin vein and the other was the MeDonald vein. The Franklin vein was prospected for three-fourths of a mile, while MeDonald's vein was prospected at only a few points. The Franklin and MeDonald properties consisted of more than 1200 acres.

The mining was confined chiefly to slave labor with some hired help and Mrs. Franklin's sons. In the beginning, the operations were only on the surface. In open cuts located at different points, oxidized ore was taken out and crushed at the stamp mill. Gold was also taken from residual material by sluice washing and rockers.

MeDonald joined with Mrs. Franklin under the management of Northern capitalists prior to the Civil War. The Franklin vein was connected to the McDonald vein by a tunnel, 170 feet long and at a depth of 200 feet. The mines became known as the Franklin and MeDonald Mining and Manufacturing Company, managed by Colonel A. H. Moore, a noted Southern Engineer.[4] He brought the mining up-to-date by building a dam across the Etowah River, putting in a tramway system from the shafts to the mills, and building houses for the employees. This started a regular village where the Post Office and a shingle house are still standing.

The Old Franklin Gold Mine Post Office, one of Cherokee County's oldest buildings is protected by the Georgia Historical Society as a landmark.

END OF AN ERA

Mrs. Franklin operated her mines until her death in 1858. Her son, Leonidas attempted to run the mines as a tribute to his mother, but failed in his management because of the Civil War. There were no operations during the Civil War. Afterwards he did endeavor to keep mining, however, the war had left him poor and he eventually sold the mines to J. McCreighton, a wealthy railroad executive from Philadelphia. He changed the name to The Creighton Mining Company. The mines continued to be prosperous until his death in 1887. Manager Moore resigned and the management fell into many hands who were wasteful and inefficient. Mining halted shortly after 1900.

Since 1902, the Franklin properties have scarcely been touched except for a few primitive attempts by amateurs to reclaim free gold. Little is left today to indicated the past glory of the mines except a huge hole in the ground and the remains of several pounding mills, and of course, the Etowah River.

THE HOUSE I LIVED IN

John Pascoe came to the northeastern part of the county in 1833.[5] He unsuccessfully attempted to mine in Lumpkin County so he moved on south. There he leased ten acres from the Leonard brothers near Ophir. He originated the idea of a stamp mill which was fairly successful. From his earnings he bought the ten acres and all the adjoining lots. He built a very large home (the house I lived in) and returned to England to obtain shrubbery etc. because he wanted to beautify the place for his bride-to-be. This was not to happen, only a few days before the wedding, he died from mercuric poisoning.[6] The house and mines were then placed under the direction of his brother Samuel. But in the State of Georgia, Cherokee County, Court of Ordinary, August Term, 1853 it was recorded that he was dismissed from said Executorship due to the fact he was not a citizen of the United States.

John Pascoe, an Englishman and miner built this home at the Franklin Gold Mine, Cherokee County, Georgia in 1836. The house was used as a home by the various Superintendents of the gold mine. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Leslie, parents of the author, owned the house for more than thirty years. (They recently sold it to my brother who lives there with his wife and children).

One of the Superintendents was Edward William Axson who was the brother of Ellen Louise Axson, the first wife of Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States. While Mr. Axson, his wife Florence and young son, Edward Stockton lived in the house shown above, they met with a fearful and appalling accident. They had started for a picnic when, near the mine, their team became frightened and unmanageable. They ran into the river coming in violent contact with a Ferry boat. The occupants of the buggy were thrown out and drowned before assistance could reach them.

CONCLUSION

That the mining operations under Widow Franklin were successful was surprising to the native miners who lived in the time when "women should stay home and tend to their young-uns and let men run the business."

Nothing definite concerning the yield of the mines can be determined, but some old records indicate they were producing over $1,000 per day in 1893. Estimates of the total production reached the millions.

There are unknown quantities of low-grade ore that still exist beneath the Etowah River. Sixteen families who own original land lots bordering the river are now in litigation with developers who want to strip mine the area.

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Thomas F. Fitzgerald — The Gold Coins of the Popes
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United States

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1 — Moses M. Reis, Jr. — Silver

YN — 14 and Over

1 — Matthew V. Rockman — An M.P.C. Discovery

Who's Who in Cal-State Young Numismatists

Kimberly Curlett
CSNA YN-8-89

Kimberly Curlett was born in San Bernardino, California on May 2, 1972 and has attended meetings as a member of the Fontana United Numismatists and the San Bernardino County Coin Club since she was old enough to sit on her father's knee. With the help of her grandparents and her father, Kim became interested in coins at a very early age. Her father gave her a 1972 birthyear set of U.S. coins which she still has.

Her collective interests now lies in foreign coins, namely New Zealand and Australia, but her favorite is a Dime Type Set given to her by her grandfather.

Kim attended the two-day ANACS in September, 1984 which was sponsored by NASC at Cal-Poly, Pomona. Later she gave a detailed report at the clubs on what she learned at the seminar with regards to wear points on the coins, mint marks, etc.

As a speaker at the Young Numismatists Eductional Forum at the CSNA Anaheim Convention, October, 1984 her topic was "Affordable Coins I Collect." She also worked on the Registration Desk at that convention.

The Fontana United Numismatists is her home club where she introduces the guests each month, serves as auction runner, assists with monthly refreshments, ticket disbursement and where ever she is needed. At the annual potluck she assists in decorating the tables, putting out napkins, etc., and cuts pies and cakes.

Kim utilizes her numismatic knowledge in her school work assignments by illustrating historical events with the coins and medals of her collection.

Her other hobby interests range from working on Rose Parade floats to collecting souvenir spoons. She is a four-year member of the Chamber Singers at school and likes to play volleyball.

A family friend planted the seed of summer camp, and Kim has not only attended local youth camps, but has been involved in working at Beatteyville, Southeast of Lexington, Kentucky for the past two years. She enjoys it so much she is considering being a counselor after getting her college education.

Kim is a very pleasant young lady and made many friends at the 1987 San Bernardino County Coin Club's annual coin show on January 4th at the National Orange Show. She was Queen of the Show, Miss Constitution and dressed in an authentic colonial dress, cap and shawl. She assisted the General Chairman in drawing the hourly door prizes, the special dealer prize and greeted show visitors from the Registration Desk.

She has placed exhibits in the annual shows of the Numismatic Association of Southern California (NASC), California State Numismatic Association (CSNA) and the San Bernardino County Coin Club (SBCCC). In 1987 Kim won the coveted Maurice M. Gould Memorial Junior Achievement Award, at the NASC convention in Los Angeles.

Kim's interest in knowing about her collection proves she is definitely on her way to becoming a full-fledgednumismatist and has written a short article which will appear in Cal-Coin News shortly.

What is in the future for Kim? College and after that a Directorship at a Youth Camp where she can help others.

by Virginia Hall

In The LIBRARY . . . . . .

By: DOROTHY E. BEAULIEU

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(continued — PRESIDENTS MESSAGE)

Also at the banquet, the organization honored retiring Secretary, Ethel Lenhert, by presenting her with the highest honor of the association — The Medal of Merit. Ethel has given untiringly of her self in her eight years as secretary, and has consistently produced award winning exhibits at both Northern and Southern CSNA Conventions. Congratulations, Ethel, and thanks again.

Til next time, thanks for listening,

Dorothy C. Baber, President

LENKER RUNS FOR ANA POST

Catherine E. Lenker of San Diego is seeking election to the ANA Board of Governors and hopes to represent California's large contingent of ANA members.

Her primary goals will stress exhibits, helping new collectors of all ages, and overall education in the many aspects of numismatics.

She was ANA General Chairman of the 1983 San Diego Convention, is an avid collector, exhibitor, judge and lecturer. Kay is well known in the ANA, having served in the position of Judge at many annual conventions, and is a District Representative. She is currently serving CSNA as Treasurer and Director of Educational Material.

Convention Highlights

SAN MATEO CASTLE CONVENTION

By Virginia M. Hall

The Thursday night board meeting brought the good news . . . convention progressing smoothly and within budget.

Friday brought in several interesting displays which were handled by Exhibit Chairman, Marian Sinton (list of award winners elsewhere in this issue). The Friday Luncheon was moderated by Don Thrall who had arranged for a delicious lasagne lunch. The speaker was Sam Cook, the topic was the past, present and future of Engine 2472 which was depicted on the convention medal. This was so popular, all medals were sold out within 24 hours.

An interesting educational forum was handled by Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald. The first speaker was David Lange on the coins and history of the San Francisco Mint. Second was Jerry Schimmel on the tokens of San Francisco.

ANA President Steve Taylor with Matthew Rockman, YN Forum Moderator.

An exceptional young man from the Bay Area by the name of Matthew V. Rockman, moderated the Young Numismatist forum. The speaker was the ANA President, Steve Taylor. The juniors in our hobby have a special place in the heart of Mr. Taylor and he is always willing and ready to help out.

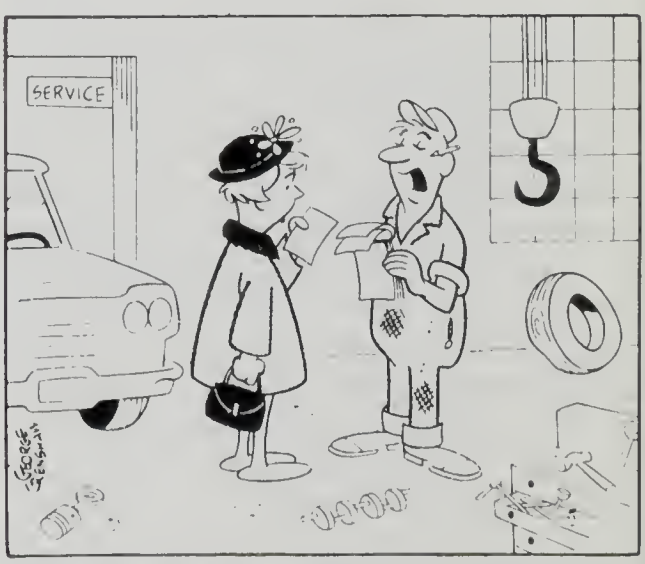
Several specialty club meetings were held throughout the day on Saturday and the evening brought the Awards banquet.

Dave Cieniewicz receives Numismatic Ambassador Award from Krause Publications Western Representative, Charles Colver.

Several surprises brought smiles to CSNA members faces, one of them was the awarding a Numismatic Ambassador Plaque to General Chairman Dave Cieniewicz. Dave is a hard worker, dedicated to the hobby and his fellow members. Congratulations, Dave!

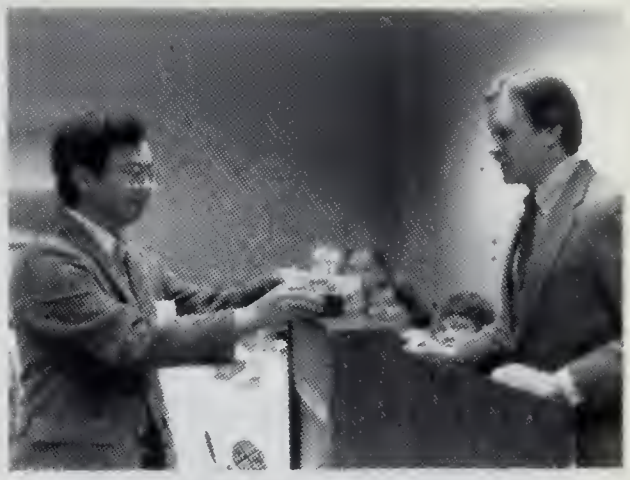
Among the exhibit awards was the Best of Show, this honor went to Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald for a beautiful display on The Gold Coins of the Popes.

The Medal of Merit, CSNA's highest honor, was given to out-going secretary Ethel Lenhert. She registered surprise as you can see by this photo. Congratulations, Ethel!



"It's all itemized, Lady, $87.95 for the fender work, $50.00 for the new bumper, and $72.50 not to tell your husband."

Dave Cieniewicz accepts 85th Convention Medal Set from CSNA President, Dorothy Baber.



CES President Iversen presents Al Lo with Best of Exonumia award.

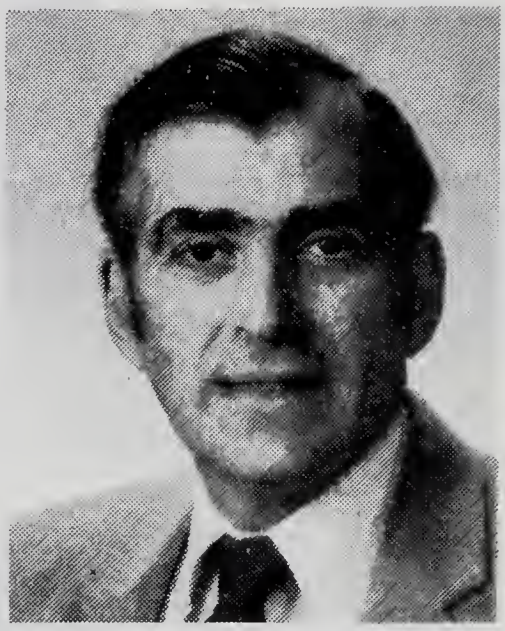
A surprised Ethel Lenhert, center, receives CSNA's highest award, The Medal of Merit, from President Dorothy Baber. Kay Lenker is at right.

President Dorothy Baber presents 10-year show awards to Karl Stephens and Will Fragner both at far right. Also shown in center is Bob Brugerman.

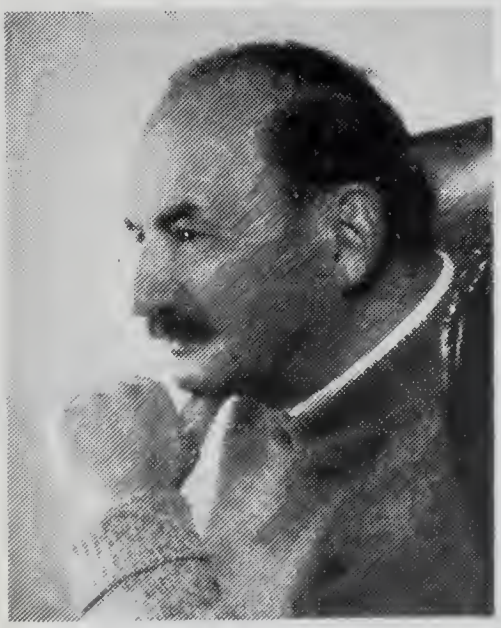
The new officers who will lead CSNA for the years 1989-1990. They are from the left: Bill Grant, Phil Iversen, G. Lee Kuntz, Barbara Burke, Ken Barr, Board Members, President Dorothy Baber, Dave Cieniewicz, Board Member, Helen Carmody, Installation Officer, Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald, Vice President, Elizabeth L. Wisslead, Secretary, Ron Miller, Board Member, and Kay Lenker, Treasurer.

21st ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM SPEAKERS

LLOYD E. BEAUCHAINE
Student of classical coins of the Greeks and Romans for 22 years. Researches Roman-Egyptian coinage.



DR. GEORGE FULD
Graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Author, Inventor and Numismatist.



EDWARD C. ROCHETTE
Professional numismatist, researcher and author. Past editor and Chief Executive Officer for the *ANA*.

HELEN & DON CARMODY
Professional numismatists, authors, specialists in U.S. Silver Commemorative Coinage.

PROGRAM

9:45 A.M.	Welcome and Introduction of Guests
10:15 A.M.	Lloyd E. Beauchaine *"The Coinage of Roman Egypt"*
11:15 A.M.	Dr. George Fuld *"The Indian Peace Medal"*
12:15 P.M.	Phil Iversen Recognition of Exhibitors
12:30 P.M.	LUNCH IN THE CROWN ROOM
2:00 P.M.	Edward C. Rochette *"The Late Colonies of California"*
3:00 P.M.	G. "Corky" Ayers Recognition of Young Numismatists
3:15 P.M.	Helen and Don Carmody *"The Selling of U. S. Commemorative Coins: 1892-1954"*
4:15 P.M.	Questions and Answers
5:00 P.M.	End of Symposium *(See you at the 22nd event in 1990)*

EXHIBITS: Levin Messick — Mafeking Siege Notes; Albert Hall — Memorabilia of George Washington; Michael Reiter — A Live One From The Cotton State — The Alabama Centennial Half Dollar.

The Symposium Luncheon was held in the Rose Garden Court.

LITERARY AWARDS

Original articles appearing in Calcoin News during the year 1988 have been judged and the following medals have been awarded.

First Place — Paper Collectibles by Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr.
Second Place — Pulu-Penang Prince of Wales Island by James Betton
Honorable Mention — Tribal Dance Dress by Rear Admiral O. H. Dodson
Honorable Mention — Grading — Fact or Fiction by Bill Fivaz
Young Numismatists
First Place — A Patriotic Nickel by Michael Reiter
Second Place — Large Cents by James M. Wisslead

ELECTION RETURNS FOR 1989 / 1990

There were 530 ballots received and counted with results listed below:

President:
Dorothy Baber 490*
Vice President:
Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald 497*
Secretary:
Elizabeth L. Wisslead.....495*
Treasurer:
Kay Lenker 498*
Directors: (South of the Tehachapis)
G. Lee Kuntz.....371*
Phil Iversen 351*
William J. Grant.....340*
Barbara Burke.....367*
G. A. "Corky" Ayers 355*
Eric Millman 285
Directors: (North of the Tehachapis)
Ken Barr 346*
Dave Cieniewicz 381*
Ron Miller.....263*
Steve Huston.....246
William Davis 171

*Elected

"CORKY" AYERS SUCCUMBS

CSNA Board Member G. A. "Corky" Ayers passed away on May 14, 1989. He had been ill for the past several months. Mr. Ayers was the current President of NASC and Treasurer of the Upland Club. He was the Past President of COIN, as well as several local coin clubs in Southern California. He will be missed by his many friends, our condolences to his wife Awanda and family.

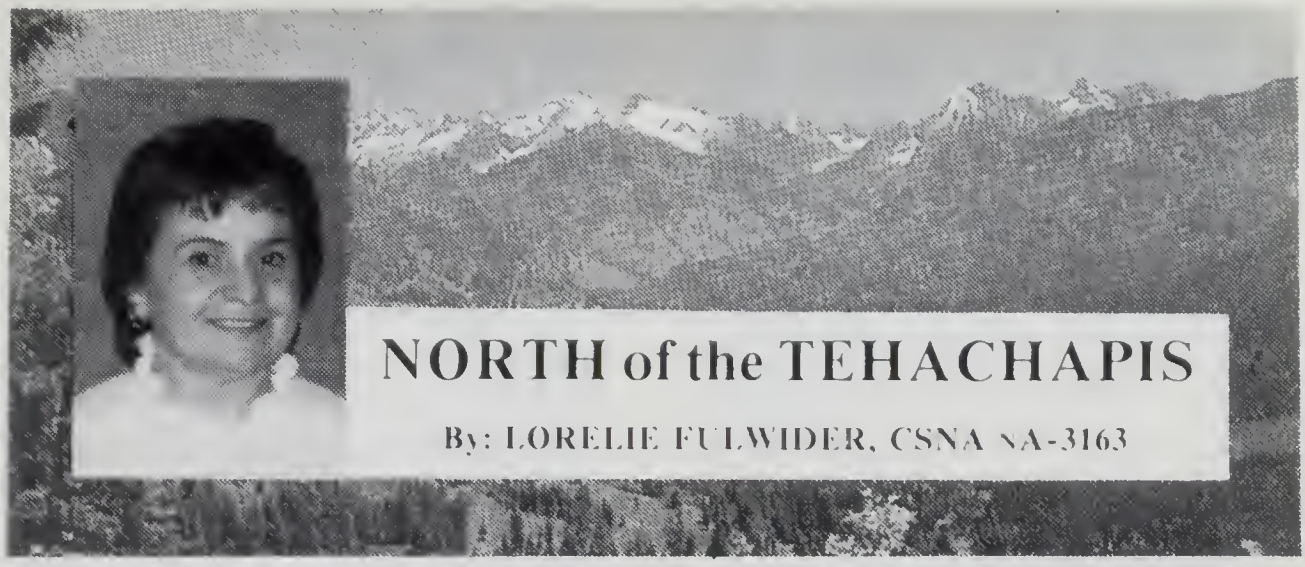
MEMORIAL FUND

We have received several memorial donations for the CSNA Memorial Educational Fund. President Dorothy Baber notifies the families of the deceased regarding the memorial each time a donation is received.

Our thanks to John Lenker in memory of Barbara Hyde, Herbert Bergen and Richard Yeoman; to Al and Dorothy Baber in memory of Barbara Hyde; Barbara Burke and Elizabeth L. and William O. Wisshead; and to Phil Iversen in memory of Walt Alcott, Barbara Hyde and Herbert Bergen.

CHARLES V. KAPPEN RECOVERING

CSNA Past President, Charles V. Kappen 1967-1969, is recovering from heart by-pass surgery he experienced in February of this year. He is well on his way to a full recovery and felt in good spirits as he attended the 84th CSNA Convention recently at San Mateo.



NORTH of the TEHACHAPIS

By: LORELIE FULWIDER, CSNA NA-3163

VALLEJO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY PLANS 35th ANNIVERSARY

Plans are progressing for the gala 35th anniversary celebration on August 11th at *Jonesy's Famous Steakhouse* at the *Napa County Airport*. Featured speaker for the evening, will be *Dr. Fred Stripp*. *Dr. Stripp* is remembered for his talk at the club's *Jefferson Night*. He will talk this time about *Abraham Lincoln*, since August is also the 89th anniversary of the Lincoln penny. There will be an all Lincoln penny raffle with a fine 1909s VDB penny as the top prize.

Recent speakers at VNS included *Judy Furlong, Director of the Vallejo Navy and Historical Museum*. An *ANA* video tape on Identification of Coin Characteristics and an Other Hobbies Night.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 28TH ANNUAL SHOW RESCHEDULED

NCNA 1989 Coin Show and Exposition has been rescheduled due to renovation at the *Cathedral Hill Hotel* to July 20-23, 1989. *Bourse Coordinator* will be *Ron Miller Fremont Coin Gallery*, 3769 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, Ca 94536.

REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB TO CELEBRATE 40TH ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to RECC for reaching this important milestone. In these times where so many of the clubs are having such difficulties, it is refreshing to hear about a club with such a successful history. Your members should be very proud! RECC plans an annual club dinner in September to mark this occasion. They will have their annual show on October 8th, this will be their *22nd Annual Coin-A-Rama* and will be held at the *Veterans Building*, 1351 Maple Ave., *Santa Rosa*, Ca.

Monthly meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday of the month at the Orchard, at 1945 Piner Road, Santa Rosa, 95401.

WHO WAS THE PRESIDENT OF PENINSULA COIN CLUB IN 1961

Peninsula Coin Club is attempting to compile a listing of Past Presidents. 1961 remains unknown, so if you have any information regarding this matter, please send it to *Fred G. Van Den Haak*, P.O. Box 60484, Palo Alto, Ca. 94306-0484. Your help would be appreciated.

STEVE SANFORD FEATURED SPEAKER AT SAN JOSE COIN CLUB

Steve Sanford was fortunate in being able to purchase one of two pattern sets produced for advertising purposes by *Popejoy Mint*. Since he had difficulty buying one year's proofs from the vendor, he wrote early the following year in order to avoid problems. As it happened the set was never produced, so he was lucky enough to receive this rare set. He told of his experience when he gave his talk on *Coinage of Seychelles*, and exhibited this rare set.

San Jose Coin Club has released its third souvenir card, which depicts an interest-bearing corporate promissory note of 1921, issued by the *California Prune and Apricot Growers, Inc. of San Jose*.

Numismatips was the first *San Jose Coin Club* bulletin. It was issued from 1958 through 1961. Co-editors for the bulletin were *Lillian Hooker* and *Dorothy Beaulieu*.

NAPA VALLEY COIN CLUB ENJOYS ANA VIDEO LIBRARY

Members of *Napa Valley Coin Club* enjoyed the *ANA* videotape on Counterfeit and altered coins, presented by *President Jim Elam* in January. *Gene Feierstein* presented the *ANA* videotape on collecting and grading U.S. coins in February. *ANA* certainly provides a wonderful research tool for increasing numismatic knowledge.

I was amused at the comment in their *Napa Valley Numismatic Notes* regarding attendance at their 25th annual show March 19th, "Attend the Show! Bring your friends (if you don't have any, bring your enemies, we need everybody we can get)." I like their thinking!

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY HAS NEW OFFICERS

The 1989 officers are *Dave Lange, President* (also president of Liberty Numismatic Society), *Herb Miles, Vice President, Frank Strazzarino, Secretary, and Don Thrall, Treasurer.*

Vice President, Herb Miles was featured at the March meeting and gave an interesting talk on United States Bank Notes, 1861-1923. *President David Lange* described and illustrated the full range of Philippine notes printed by the U.S. Bureau of Printing and Engraving, while the Philippines were a Protectorate and then a Commonwealth. Dave always gives a concise and interesting talk.

ALAMEDA/SAN FRANCISCO COIN CLUBS ANNOUNCE COMMITTEE FOR JOINT SHOW

Tom Kelly, General Chairman of the September 10th show at the *Oakland Hyatt Hotel* announced that his co-chairman will be *Hans Hansson; Steve Seelig* will be Bourse Chairman; *Mark Clark* will handle Advertising, with Mike Neicoff as co-chairman; *Ed Fulwider* will be Security Chairman. Bourse Chairman, *Steve Seelig* can be contacted at P.O. Box 12085, San Francisco 94112 or by phone at 415-586-1335.

Everyone is encouraged to attend this show, which has proved so successful in past years. Silver rounds and medals will be issued. The design of the medal will be the *1939 World's Fair*, which was held on *Treasure Island* in *San Francisco Bay*.

ANDY PAGANO SPEAKS AT ALAMEDA COIN CLUB

Speaker, *Andy Pagano* delighted members with his color film of the *1939 World's Fair* and early history of *Alameda*. The films were taken by him in the 1930's and 1940's. They were so complete, that a local TV station borrowed them to reconstruct a film history of the Bay Area as it existed 50 years ago.

Don Barsi presented a two part talk on tokens. He covered an Introduction to Tokens at the January meeting and completed the subject Tokens of the Bay Area at the March meeting. Don is well known in the area for his involvement in most of the coin clubs in the area.

SAN FRANCISCO COIN CLUB HOLDS ELECTION

Elections were held in December and once again the officers are *Hans Hansson* President, *Tom Kelly* Vice President, *Mike Stanley* Treasurer, and *Mona Verzi* Secretary. Board members are Ron Johnson, John Verzi, and *Mark Clark*. All of these officers should be complimented for their willingness to serve their club again.

Dr. Paul Holtzman gave members a fascinating talk and slide show at the January meeting. His talk, Galapagos Coins — Are They For Real, was unusual and interesting. The slides he showed featured the beautiful creatures on the Ecudorian Coins.

Belated plaques were awarded to *O. L. Wallis* and *Ed Fulwider* for their work at the *1988 Greater Bay Area Coin Show*.

GARY ACQUISTAPACE WINS BEST OF SHOW AT CUPERTINO COIN CLUB'S 19TH ANNUAL SHOW

CCC announced that their show was quite successful. The weather was gorgeous and the attendance went well. Other exhibit winners were: First Adult Award — *Al Lo*, Second Adult Award — *Katherine Ray*, First Youth Award — *Tommy Caro-*

Ian, Second Youth Award *Kelly Carolan*, and Third Youth Award *Michael Baer*.

Annual elections were held and new officers will be installed at the April 7th Club Birthday celebration. New officers are: President *Ken Barr*, Vice President *Ray Johnson*, Youth Vice President *Ronda Johnson*, Recording Secretary *Jean Pritchett*, Corresponding Secretary *Walt Mertens*, Treasurer *Ron Ishizaki* and Historian *Kathleen Soderstrom*. Board of Directors members are: *Sally Johnson*, *Nick Kocisko*, *Frank Nielsen*, *Katherine Ray*, *Dan Shottuc* and *Phil Solomon*.

It took three tries to give away 6 silver 50c pieces at the January membership drawing. *Bob Devincenzi* was the lucky third member name drawn. Congratulations Bob, losers were *Ross Ubergo* and *Ron Miller*.

Winners of the Ugly Dog contest were, with the title Ugliest of the Ugly Bruce Harrison 1861 seated half dollar fine and a two way tie for Not so Ugly between *Jeremy Friedenthal* and *Nathan Miller*.

CCC in an effort to improve communications of their club members, is printing a listing in their newsletter, *Coin Press*, of members and their interest. Each month there will be a new list.

DIABLO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The DNS officers are: *President Maurice Ortez Jr., Vice President Mike Turrini, Secretary Steward Huckaby*, and *Treasurer Mike Stanley*. Plaques were awarded to *Mike Stanley* for his fine work as 1988 President and to *Manny Ezidro* for his outstanding service as editor of the Die-Break, the monthly newsletter.

Mike Turrini spoke at both the January and the February meeting. His January talk was the Stone Mountain Commemorative; the February talk was on the Carnegie Medal and the Carnegie Hero Fund. Mike has an amazing variety of subjects that he can speak on and generously shares his knowledge with a large number of clubs.

DELTA COIN CLUB MEMBERS SHARE UNUSUAL CAKE

A delicious cream cake was served at the January 13th Installation of Officers Dinner. The unusual feature of the cake was that it was decorated with an oversize One Dollar Federal Reserve Note Series 1985. It even included serial numbers and signatures of Ortega and Baker. Members were delighted with the imaginative cake.

DCC, in conjunction with the ANA, will celebrate *National Coin Week* April 16-22, with exhibits at *Citicorp Savings*, *Union Safe Deposit Bank* and the *Public Library*.

The club medal designed by *Kathi Hirning* was chosen as the 1989 medal. The medal will be .999 silver and limited to 100 pieces.

DON FIRATI TRAVELED TO FRESNO TO SPEAK ON FRACTIONAL CURRENCY AND WAS SURPRISED BY A BIRTHDAY CAKE

When *Don* agreed to speak to *Fresno Numismatic Society*, I'm sure he had no idea of the surprise the members had for him. Following his talk of the history of the fractional currency, the members sang happy birthday and presented him with a birthday cake. What a nice treat for a man who so richly deserves it. Belated birthday greetings *Don!* I understand that CSNA member, *Ruth Phillips* introduced *Don*.

FNS has new officers too. They are: *Billy J. Febuary* President, *Phil Pletmer* Vice President, *Dick Bier* Treasurer and *Ruth Phillips* Secretary.

The Fresno County Library is getting so much action with its numismatic section, that they now have three Red Books available.

Another recent speaker at FNS was *Phil Nordon*. *Phil's* topic was Tax Tokens. He has been working with the American Tax Token Society in preparing a book, so the information was new to the numismatic community.

OTHER HOBBIES NIGHT HELD AT GATEWAY COIN CLUB

I loved the report in the GCC newsletter of their February meetings. They described the Other Hobbies Night, pointing out that fellow members would like to know more about you; the February 16th Member Bourse really appealed to me. "This is the chance for anyone to bring anything they would like to get rid of (realistically speak-

ing the kitchen sink may not have much chance of selling that night, but that doesn't mean you shouldn't give it a try). Make them small items and the worst that can happen is you have to take them home again in that old paper bag." they said. When I remember some of the things Ed and I have bought (and been delighted with) it proves that these things sell!

Gateway also scheduled an ANA slide shoe entitled Hard Times Tokens, Historical Background and Symbolism. This was shown March 16th.

STEVE HUSTON PRESENTS PROGRAM ON ANCIENT PORTRAITS TO LIBERTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Steve Huston shared his expertise with Liberty Numismatic Society members at the April meeting, when he gave an overview of Constatine the Great Coinage. *Steve's* knowledge of ancients is amazing, and his audience always enjoys his talks. *Chuck Woodruff,* whose expertise is Half Dimes, shared his complete collection of half dimes with the club during the March meeting.

Al Lo's Lunar Lansing Medal design won first place in the medals contest. *Dave Lange* was a close second place followed by *Carolyn Gray* and *John Brown* in a tie for third place.

EXPERIENCED SLATE OF OFFICERS ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION BY FAIRFIELD COIN CLUB

Many clubs have officers who agree to serve a second or third term, but I think FCC's officers have the record for longevity. *Joe Sirois* is starting his 6th term as President; this is *Mike Stanley's* 7th term as Vice-President; *Jan Henke* is starting his 10th term as Secretary and *Moses Reis Jr.* is beginning his 2nd term as Treasurer. If you are looking for a permanent job, I'd say Fairfield is the place to go. Interestingly, *Joe Sirois* was not even present 6 years ago when he was nominated. His leadership has made the club grow and become more cohesive. He was the 1988 recipient of the *Rich Neily Memorial Award* for his contribution to the club.

Speaker at the March 22nd meeting was *Mike Turrini.* The club's birthday was celebrated with a special cake.

February's program was Getting to Know Our Fellow Members. Members gave a short talk on their lives, jobs and collecting interest.

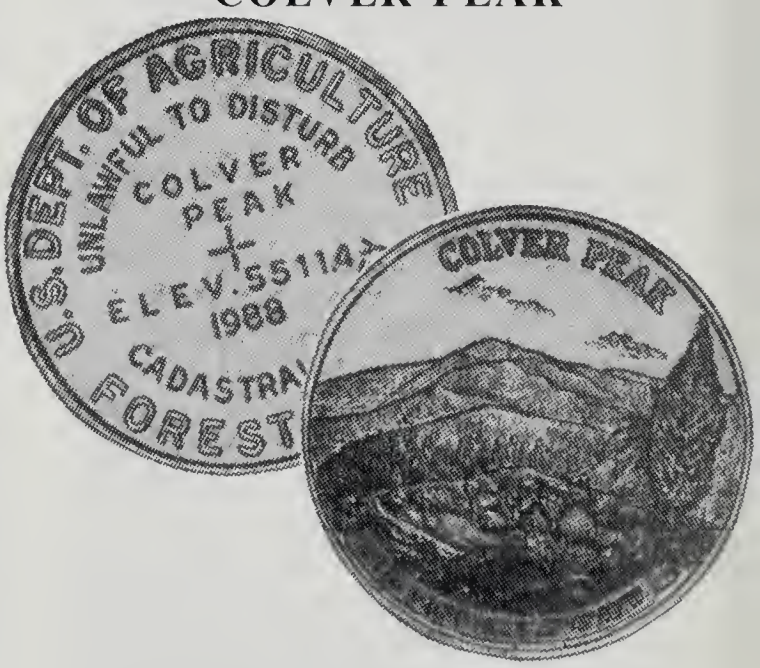
FREMONT COIN CLUB BEGINS DRIVE FOR NEW MEMBERS

An incentive program to encourage members to bring in new people has begun at Fremont Coin Club. Members bringing in the most new members will receive a 1/10 ounce Gold Eagle. Any member bringing in a new member will receive a ticket for a drawing to be held for a Gold 2 Peso Coin. The membership drive will end on August 8th.

Dave Lange was the featured speaker in February. He spoke on Coin Albums. His talk included coin storage techniques and old time coin albums.

Fremont Coin Club meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the Elk's Lodge, 38991 Farewell Drive, Fremont at 7:30 p.m. Guests are welcome.

COLVER PEAK



Charles Colver, Past President and long term Secretary of the California State Numismatic Association has a mountain peak named for him near his home in Covina, Ca. The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service surprised Charles with this honor for his 40 years of service to the Department.

A good excuse to strike a medal, Charles did just that. He had 200 in .999 Fine Silver 1 oz.; 200 in Bronze; 1,000 in Aluminum and 1 in Gold.

SOVIET UNION MINTING GOLD COMMEMORATIVE COINS

In December, 1988, New York City served as the backdrop for the unveiling of the first of an annual set of Soviet commemorative coins consisting of six precious metal coins, including two gold coins.

According to Serguei Rybakov, Deputy General Manager of Mezhnumistika of the Bank for Foreign Economic Affairs of the USSR, "These coins symbolize not only 1,000 years of past history, but a new beginning. For the first time since the Russian Revolution of 1917, the Christian faith is depicted on state-issued Soviet coinage."

The beautiful 1/2 ounce gold coin features Russian coinage of 988 A.D. that depicts King Vladimir I with a cross in his outstretched hand and the phrase "This is his gold" to indicate the legal tender status of the ancient coin. (Mintage: 14,000)

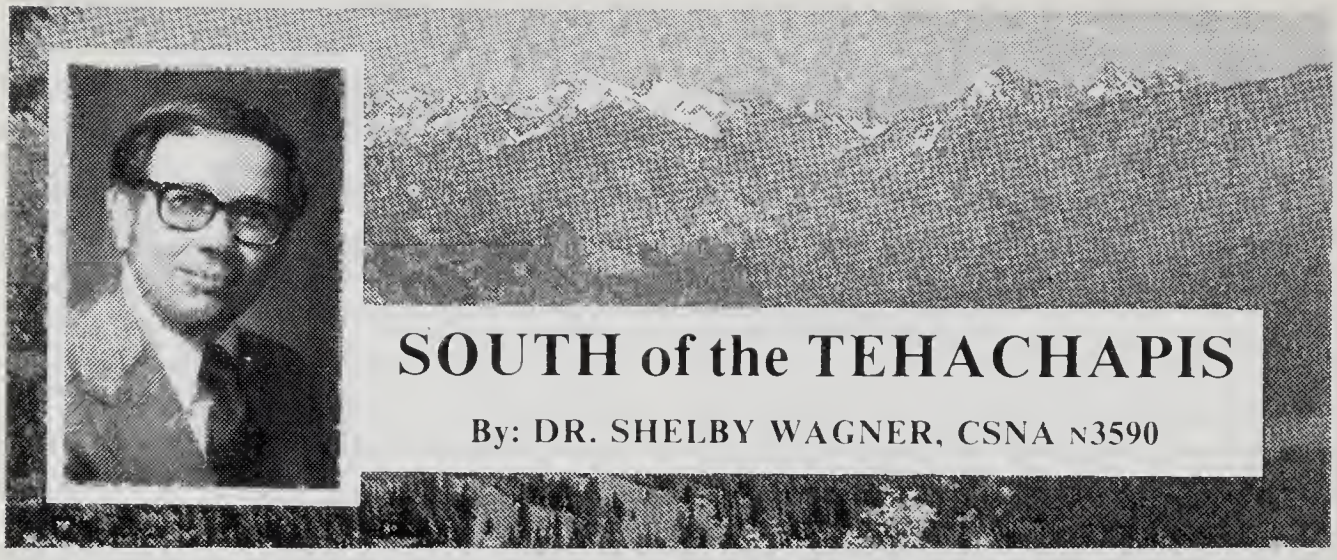
The 1/4 ounce gold coin above depicts the Cathedral of St. Sofia of Kiev and bears the number 1037, indicating the year the Cathedral's construction began. (Mintage: 25,000)

Mr. Rybakov said that the USSR is studying its internal market for precious metal commemorative coins and that the mintage of future commemorative coins will probably be expanded to assure an ample supply of coins for Soviet collectors. Only 2,000 of each of the 1988 gold coins were reserved for the Soviet market.

The Director of the U.S. Mint, Donna Pope, also present at the ceremony, said that she likes to think of coins as "little ambassadors" and hopes that gold and silver American Eagle bullion coins will be sold to Soviet coin collectors. Mr. Rybakov said that this is certainly a possibility, but that Soviet coin collectors will probably have to wait awhile before they can add American Eagles to their coin collections.

However, according to the President of MTB Banking Corporation, Francis B. Bessenyey, due to U.S. trade restrictions on the importation of gold, U.S. coin collectors will also have to wait awhile before they have the opportunity of owning the new Soviet gold coins. He added, "It's not illegal to own these coins, but it is illegal to import them."

An optimist builds castles in the air,
A dreamer lives there,
A realist collects the rent
from both of them.



SOUTH of the TEHACHAPIS

By: DR. SHELBY WAGNER, CSNA N3590

COULD YOU STAND A LITTLE TO THE RIGHT

President Roy Iwata of the Long Beach Coin Club had several of the pictures he took at the February Long Beach Expo published in *Coin World* and *Numismatic World.*

DESERVING AWARD TO AWANDA

Congratulations to the hard working Awanda Ayers. She was the winner of the President's Trophy at NASC. The trophy was awarded for her work as Editor of the Covina Coin Club Coin News.

CONSUMER ALERT

The *Long Beach Courier,* official publication of the Long Beach Coin Club, carried a Consumer Alert in its March issue. The newsletter warned hobbyists of some of the rare coin scams currently in operation. Copies of the Consumer Alert were distributed at the meeting.

AN "A" GRADE

The *Verdugo Hills Coin Club* reported a very successful show on March 12. Attendance was significantly higher then the previous year. All dealer tables, with one exception, were sold. The display table space was completely filled. Many juniors were in attendance. Thanks for all the good work Verdugo Hills Club!

ANNIVERSARY CARD

A limited edition of fifty souvenir cards were distributed in April at the *Verdugo Hills Coin Club.* The cards were made to commemorate the club's 300th meeting.

WHAT'S GOOD FOR THE HOBBY

National Coin Week, observed April 16-22, and sponsored by the American Numismatic Association, was again a success. While reports are still incoming, the *Long Beach Club* placed a coin exhibit in the library at Long Beach during May and June. Reports are still coming in on how others participated.

HE'S THE TOPS

Charlie Colver of Covina had a medal produced to commemorate his retirement from the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service. The obverse of the medal depicts the mountain in Covina that is named Colver Peak in his honor. One gold medal, a few silver and aluminum medals were struck.

WORTH READING

The *Bay Cities Coin Club Newsletter* carried an excellent article in April on Santa Monica's Floating Casino, the Rex.

HONOR GOES A LONG WAY

From the *Covina News* comes this little gem — Rags make paper. Paper makes money. Money makes banks. Banks make loans. Loans make beggars. Beggars make rags.

HOW TO MAKE A DOLLAR . . . OR SO

The *Whittier Proof Sheet* reported that recently in Costa Mesa there was a rain of $100 bills in that city. It seems as though some counterfeiters were running scared and threw money out of their auto as they fled. While some bills were turned over to authorities, some undoubtedly were not.

A GOLD COIN

At the January Installation Dinner of the San Diego Numismatic Society, a Participation Prize is awarded, the prize is a gold coin. Each time a member exhibits at a meeting, furnishes refreshments or serves at a meeting, or provides the program, the member's name is put on a ticket for the drawing. Thanks for the good idea, San Diego.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Jim and Caletta Gilreath on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They are members of the Downey Coin Club.

CHANGE OF PLACE

The *Redlands Coin Club* moved their April and May meetings to the John and Kay Lenker residence in that city. The move was necessitated when their usual meeting room at the city's Lutheran Church was remodeled. They hope to be back in church, or at least the meeting room, by June.

NEWS FROM REDLANDS

The Redlands Club has had some interesting meetings with John Boydston speaking on Errors, John Tender on the Half Dollar and Trevor Davidson on England's famous Maundy Coins. Dr. Larry Burgess of the Lincoln Shrine spoke in February. His topic was Lincoln Bust in the Shrine.

Past President Jim Patterson and his wife visited. The Pattersons reside in Utah.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The *Santa Barbara Coin Club* is busy preparing for their annual Coin Show. The dates were changed to July 15 and 16 to resolve a conflict with the Northern California Association. Please be sure to put that show on the calendar and be in attendance.

The Santa Barbara Club is also seeking members to serve on the Governing Board. Six positions were yet to be filled as of this writing.

TRAVELING WOW MAN

William O. Wisslead, from old Santa Ana way, recently drove north to Santa Barbara to speak on the History of Our Motto. Bill will drive virtually anywhere to help any club and his contributions are always appreciated.

DON'T MISS THIS ONE

The *San Diego County Inter Club Numismatic Council Coin Show* will be held July 8 and 9 at the Scottish Rite Memorial Center in Mission Valley. The building is located along Interstate Highway 8, east of Interstate 5. Plan to attend!

INLAND EMPIRE GROWTH

The *San Bernardino County Coin Club* continues to grow and one reason is that they attract former members back into the fold. Some members move away and once they return to the area, re-apply for memberships. Others, such as Manny Mejia, Ted and Mary Lopez miss the hobby and return. Either way, that is the sign of a healthy club.

Back to the Basics, an informative educational function of the hobby, continue full speed ahead each month. Norm Sturgess discussed early scale and coin weights, John Lenker discussed Money Banks, Kay Lenker spoke on Encased Cents at recent meetings.

CERTAINLY NOT JUST PLAIN BILL

"Bill" was featured at the annual banquet of the *San Bernardino County Coin Club*. Bill Fuchs was awarded a special silver round for his dedication to numismatics and the club over the years. The installing officer, Bill Wisslead, did his usual, customary excellent job. Past President Bill Grant was presented a bottle of Numismatic Jelly Beans. And for those who had not yet paid their dues, a different Bill was given.

DO YOU HAVE YOUR 1990 CALENDAR?

By the way, January 7, 1990 is the date for the next *San Bernardino County Coin Club Show*. Again it will be at the National Orange Show. The club is looking for a theme and rough sketch in order to develop the show medal.

NEWS FROM INSLA

The *Israel Numismatic Society of Los Angeles* recently elected ten people to serve on their Board of Governors. From the board was selected the four officers — Executive Director, Assistant Director, Secretary and Treasurer.

Two exhibits by Mary Yahalom and Paul Borack, were brought to the other hobbies meeting. According to the *Oracle,* the official newsletter, all other members are time dyed-in-the-wool Israel collectors or have no other hobbies.

GROWING, GROWING, GROWN UP

The *Upland Coin Club* reports new members John Boydston, Wayne Jensen and Norris Turner. At the March meeting, they established a new record for displays. Members of the club are very exciting.

SCANS NEEDS YOU

The *Southern California Ancient Numismatic Society* meets on the third Sunday of each month in North Hollywood. Dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge of Ancient Roman and Greek culture through numismatics, the club solicits your participation.

Dale S. Sigler of the Getty Museum presented slides of subjects at the site during a recent meeting.

A FUN SUPER AUCTION

The *Fontana United Numismatists* conducted their Super Auction in March. Approximately 170 of the 200 lots were sold. The club had fourteen visitors for that meeting.

IS THERE AN EXPERT IN THE HOUSE

Dr. Larry Burgess spoke on Abraham Lincoln in February at the Fontana United Numismatist Meeting. He reviewed a book entitled Freedom.

LITTON CLUB NEWS

The *Litton Coin Club* meets monthly in one of the Litton Industries facilities in Canoga Park. Enthusiastic and knowledgeable hobbyists make this unique club an enjoyable visit. President Walt Wegner and Program Director Phil Iversen do a great job.

DAYTIME DELUGE

The *Hemet Numismatists* meet the third Wednesday of each month at the Family Center of the First Presbyterian Church. The meetings start at 1:30 p.m. You are welcome to attend.

GOOD GOING, KAY

The *West Valley Coin Club* was pleased when one of their members, Kay Northam, was presented the Richard P. Goodson Award for continued service to numismatics at the January NASC Conference. The award is the highest honor NASC presents. Congratulations to Kay!

AWARDS GALORE

The *West Valley Coin Club* awarded several of its members at the Installation Banquet. Richard Murachanian received the Russ Snyder Award for exhibiting at the monthly meetings. Martha Stevenson was the recipient of the Ruth Johnson Literary Award for contributions to the newsletter. Tommy Thompson received the George Price Service Award for his continued support and efforts each month. Phil Iversen and Richard Murachanian were presented a medal for their first place exhibits at Coin-O-Rama.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

The *Orange County Coin Club* will host the CSNA Fall Show on October 27-29, 1989. The show will be held at the Saddleback Travelodge in Santa Ana. 1989 will mark the Orange County Club's 50th Anniversary. Good going, Orange County!

Do a Friend a Favor,

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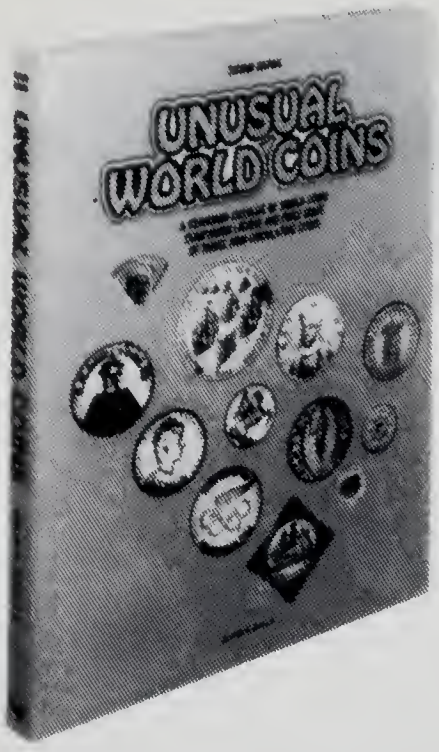
BETWEEN THE BOOK ENDS



UNUSUAL WORLD COINS, 2nd EDITION

You won't buy much with Australia's Hutt River Province 50 cent piece, Hawaii's Akahi Dala or Sealand's 100 Dollars. Why? Because you can't spend them, and no one else can either. No banks will ever accept them in payment or exchange. They never appeared as official coinage. Pure and simple, they're unusual.

You will, however, find the world of unofficial money, or "fantasy" coins as they are sometimes called, a fine source of entertainment as far as collectibility goes.

The newest numismatic book from America's leading hobby publisher, Krause Publications (700 E. State St., Iola, Wi, 54990) brings this world of "pretenders" to you, in the revised and expanded second edition of Unusual World Coins ($16.95 in U.S. funds, U.S. addresses add $2.50 for shipping and handling, non-U.S. addresses add $4.50.

What are they? When were they struck? By whom? And what are they worth? Those answers, and more, are revealed in this 234-page price guide of fantasy, pseudo, pretender, private pattern, medallic, bullion, medallic bullion and other non-monetary issues associated with countries, political movements and utopian ideals of the 19th and 20th centuries.

More than 2,250 listings, covering 441 pages of unique world coinage are catalogued in this second edition. Coin listings date back to 1547. In addition, many values are established for the first time. More than 2,250 sharp illustrations make it easy to attribute hitherto unknown issues that have crept into the collections of most hobbyists over the years.

All items are presented with author Colin R. Bruce II's new numbering system, then cross-referenced with the Krause/Mishler system (K/M numbers), the Richard D. Kenney (KY) system and the Edward Kann system for Chinese pieces. Mintages, Mint and Privy marks are indicated where available.

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GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to our President Dorothy Baber and her husband, CSNA Past President Al Baber.

A surprise 50th Anniversary celebration was planned by their three children.

CSNA members with them many more happy years.

ELIZABETH L. WISSLEAD
CSNA #720

The ***Secretary's Report***

New Members

(1 February 1989 through 8 May 1989)

5218 ELLIS, MICHAEL L. ..... 312 W. 6th St., Corona, CA 91720
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5219 MONTERO, CHARLES .....
(sponsored by William O. Wisslead)

5220 KUHAR, MICHAEL W. .....
(sponsored by the secretary)

5221 BURNS, JOHN ..... 10909 Julia St., Mira Loma, CA 91752
(sponsored by Fontana United Numismatics)

A5222 BURNS, MARY ..... 10909 Julia St., Mira Loma, CA 91752
(sponsored by Fontana United Numismatists)

5223 SENTCHUK, A. .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5224 WAELDE, RICHARD F. ..... 2081 S. Della Ln., Anaheim, CA 92802
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5225 YARMCHUK, KEITH .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5226 DEBERT, RICHARD A. ..... P.O. Box 1970, Sedona, AZ 86336
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5227 GEF, DAVID E. ..... 1005 Emerald Lane, Fortuna, CA 95540
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5228 HERSHBERBER, SANDRA .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5229 GAOR, I. S. .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5230 CARLSEN, C. R. ..... 707 Blackfoot Court, San Jose, CA 95123
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5231 DEMS, ED .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5232 LIEBERMAN, DANIEL ..... 24710 Fain Dr., Newhall, CA 91321
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5233 MEKAELIAN, ROBERT ..... 28230 Glenmeade Way, Escondido, CA 92026
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5234 JOHNSTON, THOMAS V. 15915 Ventura Blvd., Penthouse 2, Encino, CA 91436
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5235 WHINDLETON, JR., ZEBEDEE .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5236 LANG, LEE .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5237 STEPPE, ROBERT J. .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)

5238 KURAKAZU, LEE .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)
5239 BENNETT, GEORGE .... 5552 Lincoln Ave., Suite 117, Cypress, CA 90630
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)
A5240 ROSS, SARAH ..... 976 W. Foothill Blvd., Ste. 118, Claremont, CA 91711
(sponsored by Robert L. Ross)
A5241 THOMAS, CHARLENE ..... P.O. Box 3283, Fremont, CA 94539
(sponsored by Robert Thomas)
5242 WEBB, LAURA D. .....
(sponsored by Dorothy Baber)
5243 KASHANI, NICK ..... 1001 Bridgeway Ave., Ste. 620, Sausalito, CA 94965
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)
5244 BROWN, JOAN L. .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)
5245 NEAL, RICK .....
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)
5246 MORRIS, WILLIAM H. .. P.O. Box 193104, San Francisco, CA 94119-3104
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)
5247 LEHMAN, DAVID J. ..... 6734 N. Farris, Fresno, CA 93711
(sponsored by Virginia Hall)
5248 SHEA, REGAN .....
(sponsored by the secretary)
5249 GRIFFITH, DAVID ..... 506 W. 7th St., Los Angeles, CA 90014
(sponsored by Ken Barr)
5250 GRIFFITHS, TODD ..... 506 W. 7th St., Los Angeles, CA 90014
(sponsored by Ken Barr)
5252 SMITH, DON ..... P.O. Box 61, Morgan Hill, CA 95037
(sponsored by the secretary)

DECEASED

3778	Bigler, A. Wright
375	Grant, Miss Margaret S.
3103	Masros, Edna B.
999	Diedrich, R. A.

RESIGNED

3525	Ward, Allen
A2774	Sears, Phyllis M.

REINSTATEMENTS

2838	Hemet Numismatists

ADDRESS UNKNOWN

5131	Cunningham, Ron	5133	Papageirguio, Nucgaek
5053	Palandri, Mark E.	5134	Vilkin, Ken
4733	Wittenberg, Marian	4638	Verhaegh, Chris
A4734	Rowe, Warren	LM 1-2	Redfield, Mrs. David L.
LM 36-2	Maher, Frank	4519	Litt, William

Membership on 1 February 1989	1049
New Members (1 February thru 8 May)	34
Reinstatements	1
Deceased	4
Resignations	2
Address Unknown — Drop	10
Drop for Non-Payment of 1989 Dues	104
Membership Total, 8 May 1989	964
Total Life Members	145

U.S. CONGRESS COMMEMORATIVE COINS

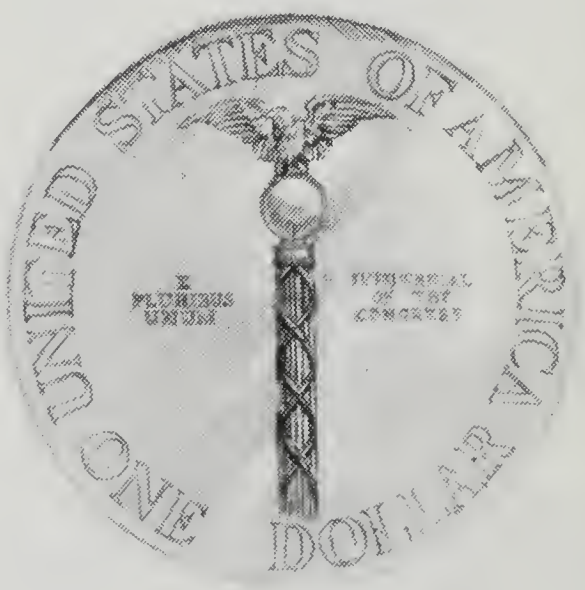
Secretary of the Treasury, Nicholas F. Brady, selected the following designs for the coins commemorating the bicentennial of Congress. In addition to the Mint's staff of engravers, eleven distinguished artists from the public participated.

OBVERSE

REVERSE

The Five Dollar gold coin, designed by John Mercanti, Seulptor/Engraver, of the U.S. MInt features the eapital dome on the obverse and eagle on the reverse.

OBVERSE



REVERSE

William Woodward of Washington, D.C. created the designs of the One Dollar Silver Coin. The obverse shows the full figure of the Statue of Freedom atop the capital dome and the reverse depicts the Mace from the House of Representatives.

OBVERSE

REVERSE

The obverse of the Half-Dollar Clad Coin was designed by Patricia Lewis Verani and features head of the Statue of Freedom, while the reverse was designed by William Woodward and depicts a full view of the capital building.

Further information regarding these beautiful commemoratives can be obtained from Customer Service Center, United States Mint, 10001 Aerospace Drive, Lanham, Md. 20706.

SPECIALTY CLUBS

By Gary E. Lewis
CSNA

We, in the United States, are privileged to have such a fine organization on the national basis as the American Numismatic Association and on the state or regional level such organizations as the California State Numismatic Association. But, do you realize that we have many speciality clubs that go across the complete gamit of numismatic material.

Did you know there are such speciality clubs that have as their common bond the collectors of Latin American Paper Money, Elongates, Bust Halfs, Wooden Nickels, Love Tokens, Liberty Standing Collectors, Early American Coppers, Military Collectors, etc. Plus their are several bigger speciality clubs as CONECA (Errors), Socicty of Paper Money Collectors and the Token and Medal Society.

Many of these speciality clubs offer a periodic newsletter, regional, if not national meetings. Many of the members are also available to speak at local club meetings. Many of the members are also available to speak at local club meetings about their speciality.

If, you would like additional information about any of these clubs that fit into your speciality, please write me at P.O. Box 4751, North Fort Myers, Florida 33918 or call me at (813) 945-1554.

GOLDEN STATE SHOW DATES

January 26-28, 1990 ..... 1st Coin Show
Golden State Coin Show
CSNA, COIN, NASC, SIN — Pasadena Convention Center
General Chairman: Tom Fitzgerald, P.O. Box 4144, Covina 91724
Bourse Chairman: Kay Lenker, P.O. Box 6909, San Diego 62106
Exhibit Chairmen: Al and Virginia Hall, Box 499, Colton, CA 92324

CALENDAR OF NUMISMATIC EVENTS

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Oct. 27-29, 1989 ..... 85th Convention & Coin Show
Saddleback Inn, 1660 E. First St., Santa Ana, Ca.
General Co-Chairman: Albert Hall and Bruce Davidson
Bourse Chairman: Wm. J. Grant, Box 295, Patton, Ca. 92369
Host Club: Orange County Coin Club

March, 1990 ..... 22nd Annual Educational Symposium
Griswold's Inn, Freeway #91, Raymond Off-Ramp, Fullerton
Director of Education: Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald, Box 4144, Covina 91724

W. J. Grant, BOURSE COORDINATOR, P.O. Box 295, Patton, Ca. 92369
To be contacted for Bourse Applications to any CSNA convention

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OTHERS

July 8-9, 1989 ..... 31st Annual Coinarama
San Diego County Interclub Numismatic Council
Scottish Rite Memorial Center, Mission Valley, San Diego
Bourse: Kay Lenker, P.O. Box 6909, San Diego, Ca. 92106
Gen. Chairman: Jim Heine, Box 360, Santa Ysabel, Ca. 92070

July 16, 1989 ..... 29th Annual Collectible Show
California Exonumist Society
Griswold's Inn, Freeway #91 at Raymond, Fullerton
Gen. Chairman: Phil Iversen, Box 5207, Sherman Oaks, Ca. 91412-5207

July 20-23, 1989 ..... 28th Annual Convention
Northern California Numismatic Association
Cathedral Hill Hotel, Van Ness & Geary
Bourse Chairman: Ron Miller, 3769 Peralta Blvd., Freemont 94536

August 20, 1989 ..... 17th Annual Coin Show
Fremont Coin Club, Elks Lodge, 38991 Farwell Dr., Fremont, Ca.
Bourse: Vince Lacariere, P.O. Box 1401, Fremont, Ca. 94538

August 18-20, 1989 ..... 26th Anniversary Convention
Convention of International Numismatics
Airport Hilton, Century Blvd., Los Angeles
Bourse: Jerry Yahalom, Box 3637, Thousand Oaks, Ca. 91359

October 8, 1989 ..... 22nd Annual Coin-A-Rama
Redwood Empire Coin Club
Veterans Memorial Bldg., 1351 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa
Bourse Info: William Feist, Box 2811, Santa Rosa, Ca. 95405

October 14-15, 1989 ..... 32nd Coin-A-Rama
Sacramento Valley Coin Club
Elk's Hall, 6446 Riverside Blvd., (Florin Rd., West off I-5)
Bourse Chairman: Dennis Pacheco, Box 160122, Sacramento 95816

October 21-22, 1989 ..... 25th Annual Show
Delta Coin Club, Eagles Hall, 1492 Bourbon St., Stockton, Ca.
Bourse: Elden Enzminger, Box 216, Victor, Ca. 95253

November 4-5, 1989 ..... 23rd Annual Coin-a-Rama
Fresno Numismatic Society
Airport Holiday Inn, Fresno
Bourse: Steve Foster, 4376 N. Blackstone, Fresno 93726

January 7, 1990 ..... 27th Coin/Hobby Show
San Bernardino County Coin Club
National Orange Show Grds, Citrus Bldg., 689 South "E" St., San Bernardino
General Chairman: Albert Hall, Box 1028, Colton, Ca. 92324
Bourse Chairman: Norm Sturgess, Box 1028, Colton, Ca. 92324